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MANILA, YAP, ANGAUR, NEW-GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, & MELBOURNE	"GOERLENZ" Capt. H. Raegener	FRIDAY, 22nd April, Daylight.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. F. Sombill	About SATURDAY, 30th April.
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THE PROPOSED OPENING OF PORT ARTHUR.

VIEWS OF A RUSSIAN J. UKHAL.

The *Rossiya*, of St. Petersburg, has the following remarks on the proposed opening of Port Arthur to trade:

"A short time ago the Japanese Government was discussing the question of opening Port Arthur as a trading port and the necessity of adapting the western part of the port for that purpose. Port Arthur does not play for Japan the rôle that it played for Russia. For us the port formed the only satisfactory outlet to the sea, as Vladivostok is frozen up in the winter months. For Japan, of course, the southern port has no such significance. Hence Port Arthur does not now need the elaborate fortifications which were erected by Russia, and probably there are many who think quite reasonably that even the defence works being constructed (sic) there, now, are wholly superfluous. The opening of Port Arthur as a commercial port could not interfere with its military value, as it is not intended to open the whole port, but merely its western half, so that the eastern part would remain a military haven as before. The principal reason for opening a trading port there—a reason now quite recognised by the Government—is the circumstance that the exchange of commerce between Japan and Manchuria is continually increasing and is giving indications of great development. Meanwhile the insufficiency of suitable ports is beginning to be felt, as there are only two points of export from Manchuria—Newchwang and Dairen.

Newchwang cannot be regarded as satisfactory in view of the fact that it is frozen for four or five months in the year, and just those months when the export of Manchurian products is most active. There remains only Dairen, where all commercial transactions are centralised and which cannot cope with all the export trade, as a result of which goods accumulate and trade is dislocated—a state of affairs which will be aggravated by the extension of trade. The necessity of opening Port Arthur is thus apparent. As already noted, the opening of the port will not threaten its value as a military port, especially as it has not for Japan the same strategical significance as it had in the hands of Russia. On the other hand, as a commercial port, it will have enormous value as being the nearest point on the Manchurian Railway to Japan, and its unconditional opening will facilitate the development of industry in Manchuria.

"If the opening of a port at Port Arthur is looked at from the Far Eastern political point of view, then it undoubtedly furnishes the best evidence that Japan strongly supports the principle of the open door and free trading in Manchuria, and will destroy any cause for suspicion that Japan, by fortifying the Liaotung peninsula, cherishes the ambition of extending her domination in Manchuria."—*Japan Chronicle*.

A belief in the wider use of oil as fuel and the settlement of the long standing dispute between the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company and the Burmah Oil Company have awakened more life in oil shares. The Shell, which in 1907 amalgamated with the Royal Dutch, has naturally felt the benefit of the settlement, and the shares are now nearly up to 44. Another company of comparatively recent formation operating in the same part of the world seems to deserve attention, if only because of its very influential backing. This is the Java and Borneo Company, which controls forty-seven concessions in Java, carrying the exclusive right to prospect for oil, of which five have yet to be confirmed. The concessions, which are situated between Soerakarta and Semarang, adjoin some of the properties of the Royal Dutch and the Dutch companies, and have been very favourably reported on by Mr. Hoogenboom, who was the late manager of the South Perak Oil Company. A well put down in one of the concessions near Telawa has already produced oil in sufficient quantities to enable regular shipments to be made. Labour is cheap, and it is stated that a pipe line could easily be laid direct to the port of shipment, Semarang—a distance of only sixteen miles. The company is somewhat exceptional, because in addition to its oil concessions it controls vast rubber and timber rights over an area of about 1,300 square miles in Borneo, in the district of Sambalioeng, with a navigable river running through a portion of the territory. These properties have been reported on by Mr. Lassetz, who estimates that they contain 100,000 rubber trees from nine to twenty-five years old, 90,000 gutta percha trees, more than 200,000 ironwood trees, &c. That any difficulties in complying with the Dutch laws have been duly met appears from the fact that one of the directors is a member of the First Chamber of the States General of Holland, while it is rumoured that a very high Dutch official is likely to join the board. No one can foresee the future, but with a moderate capital of £150,000, and both oil and rubber to exploit, the prospects of the Java and Borneo Company look good.

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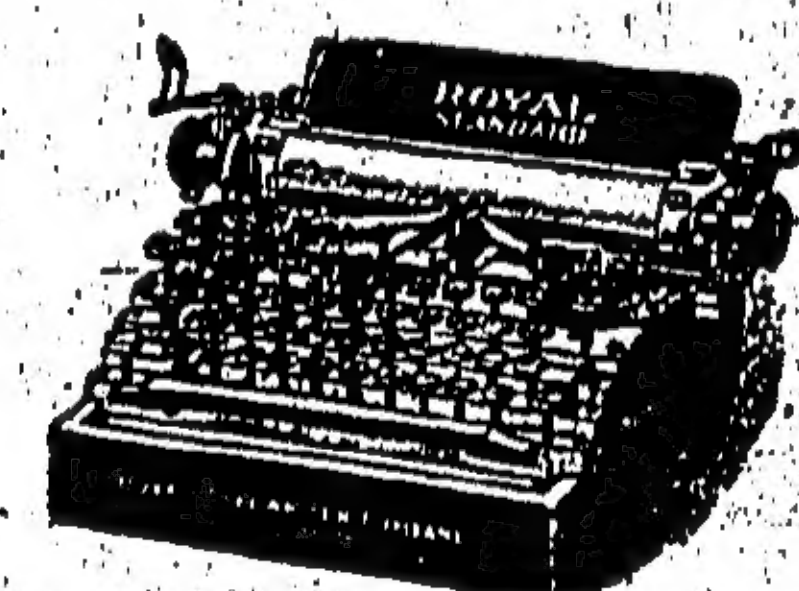
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On April 8, 1910, at Shanghai, the wife of
W. A. Perry, of a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1910.

SIR H. MODY'S LATEST GIFT.

Sir Hormusjee Mody seems to be deter-
mined to fill the rôle of benign providence
to the Colony where he has spent most of
his life. Never a public gathering is held
but a surprise is sprung on the community.
Yesterday at the celebration of the Jubilee of
the Italian Convent the Governor made the
announcement that Sir Hormusjee Mody
had decided to found seven scholarships to
grant schools in the Colony, and he added:
The schools are St. Joseph's College, the
Bills Kadoorie, the Diocesan Girls' School,
the Italian Convent, St. Mary's, Kowloon,
the French Convent and St. Francis, Wan-
chai. And to this list he has added an
eighth name by giving a scholarship to the
Victoria Boys' School at the east end of the
city. To establish these scholarships, which
will be worth \$30 a year for two consecutive
years, Sir Hormusjee Mody intends to
invest \$2,000 on behalf of each school.
After what the donor has done in the way of
the Hongkong University we can only hold
our breath in admiration of the princely
benevolence of Sir Hormusjee Mody. Long
may he live to see the beneficent effects of
his generosity.

INDIAN SILVER AND THE
CHINA YARN TRADE.

Much discussion has been aroused in
India over a proposal in the new Budget
that the tax on silver should be increased
from 5 to 17 per cent. The question is
of vital interest to Hongkong for if the tax
is adopted the yarn trade will be closely
affected, the opium trade will feel the pinch,
and there will be a general advance in the
price of all commodities passing between
Bombay and Hongkong. The Select Com-
mittee of the Viceroy's Council in presenting
its report of the Taxation Bills had to record
the minutes of dissent by Sir Sassoon David
and the Raja of Kurupam. Sir David speaks
with some authority as a financier and not
only did he insist on the recording of his
minute of dissent but in the course of the de-
bate he urged that the enhancement of the
duty would inflict serious injury on the yarn
trade with China. A protest has been address-
ed to the Indian Government by the Bombay
Mill-owners' Association. The Bombay
mills are at present passing through a crisis,
and it is urged that the adoption of the new
silver duty will necessarily raise the selling
price of Indian yarn in China and thus
close the China market to the Indian trade.
Sir David believes that if the price of opium
for the coming year were estimated at Rs.
2,000 per chest it would not be an over-
estimate and the difference between that
and the Budget estimate of Rs. 1,750 would
satisfy financial needs and the enhanced
silver duty would be unnecessary. Sir David's
contentions are supported by the figures
adduced by Sir Vithaldas Thackersey, who
urged that the increased duty will reduce
the quantity of silver consumed in India
and puts the import at six crores instead
of eleven crores as estimated for the cur-
rent year. This reduced demand he urges
will reduce the price of silver in London
and for Indian exporters to China to
receive the price of their goods in silver,
which has to be converted to gold stand-
ard rupees, and yet maintain their price,
the silver price must be increased. At
the present time India exports to China
from five to six lakhs of bales of yarn every
year and the value of the export is about
ten crores of rupees. Unless silver prices
can be raised, and there appears to be
little hope of that, the Indian spinner will
receive a less number of rupees for his yarn
whilst the Chinese manufacturers, paying
wages and living generally on a silver basis,
will benefit to that extent as their manufac-
turing charges will not be appreciably affected.
Of course these two sentences form a con-
tradiction in terms, but they show the lie of
the contention advanced by the Financial Member of the
Council, had a very full reply. It was
pointed out in the first place that the Gov-
ernment was not legislating for the special
benefit of the Bombay millowners but for
the general benefit of the people of India.
The difficulties of the Bombay millowners,
who are the people most keenly interested
in the China trade, asserts the Govern-
ment, are largely of their own making
and even these difficulties will not be
increased by the enhanced duty. It is
altogether wrong, argues the Govern-
ment, to imagine that exports of yarn from
India are paid for by imports of Chinese
silver. The fundamental result of the tax,
to which all other results are subsidiary and
consequential, is that some reduction may be
expected in the Indian demand for silver and
consequently some reduction in the world
demand for silver. This means a fall in the
world price of silver, certainly, and with
that a fall in the China silver. That is
admitted, but the Government goes on to
point out that the fall brought about in the
price of silver, reckoned even at three per
cent, would neither ruin the Indian yarn in-
dustry nor represent a bounty of the same
amount conferred on China's yarn production.
Continuing, the Government member said
that the conditions under which the Indian
mills have been supplying the China market
for the last twenty years have been subject
to the widest fluctuations. In the last few
years alone the price of raw material has
varied within the widest ranges. Exchange
has both fallen and fluctuated at times in the
most alarming manner. Trade with China
has been hampered by the deterioration of
China's copper coinage. Many other ad-
verse factors have entered in, and yet the
yarn trade has been neither seriously strait-
ened nor dangerously threatened. At the
present time, against all the disturbing
elements both in the yarn trade and
every other trade between India and
China, there is to be set the one domi-
nant fact that China is rapidly waking,
that the activities of her people are in-
creasing enormously and with these in-
creased activities will come increased de-
mands on India. If all the considerations
are taken together, says the Government, it
is to be admitted that there is much in the
outlook that is uncertain and perhaps some-
thing that is disturbing. It is natural that
the mill-owners should be apprehensive for
the China trade, but it has not been shown
that as regards the silver duty these ap-
prehensions are well grounded. China had to
pay for machinery and other produce in

gold, not in silver. The constantly decaying
value of silver forbade her purchasing
labour and material on the old scale. More-
over, the real Chinese currency was not
silver, but copper cash. Silver is merely an
object of barter and fluctuates daily in re-
lation to copper as well as to gold. Past
experience shows the falsity of a pessimist
view. China pays to-day 80 per cent. more
for labour and materials established. Such
are some of the arguments employed against
the opponents of the measure, and it will be
interesting to watch how the matter will go
on division.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A BILL has been read in the Philippine legisla-
ture calling for the appropriation of P300,000,
to be used in dredging the Paranaque river.

GREAT vigilance is being observed in Peking,
and hotels and other public places are infested
with detectives on the look-out for revolutionists.

THE Hupoh officials in Peking have considered
the question of guaranteeing interest on the
share capital of the Hupoh railway, so as to
encourage investment.

THE Yuchuanpo proposes to appoint Kuang
Shih-mou, formerly chief engineer of the Canton
Railway, to take charge of the construction
of the Hankow-Tsingtao railway.

THE amount for the redemption of the Tung-
kuaoshan mine has been remitted and paid
over, and this sum has nearly cleared the im-
poverished Anhui Exchequer of all its cobwebs.

SIX Chinese opium smokers were arraigned on
the 8th inst. before Judge Jenkins at Manila.
Four pleaded guilty of a violation of the opium
law, but all were found guilty and sentenced
to imprisonment for three months each.

PRESIDENT Tang Ching-chang of the Ministry
of Education, has suggested that marriages
between parties of the same surname should be
permanently forbidden and this suggestion has
been adopted by the Law Revision Office.

A CHINESE report says that the special Col-
leges for Classics, Law, Philosophy, Litera-
ture, Engineering, Commerce and Medicine in
Peking were opened with an attendance of
272, and that their expenditure would total
about Tls. 1,000,000 a year.

THE American sugar trust has made formal
denial of the statement that it was interested
in any Philippine projects. The claim was
made in connection with the purchase of the
San Jose estate by the Polo syndicate, but the
company disavows even an indirect connection.

THE U. S. army transport Warren will reach
Manila about May 1. It will go from Shanghai
via Hongkong, Indo-China, to load 8,000 barrels
of cement recently purchased for general use
throughout the division. Part of this cement
will be used for the construction of the new
hospital at Los Baños.

TELEGRAMS from Constantinople state in re-
gard to the revolt in Albania, that fighting
started on April 4 on the river to the south-
west of Prishtina. Two battalions and three
batteries of artillery were engaged. The troops
being overwhelmed when reinforcements ar-
rived. There is now a momentary suspension
of fighting, as the Albanians are awaiting re-
inforcements.

FIRE AT KENNEDY TOWN.

MATCHED ABLAZE.

In the early hours of this morning, the Fire
Brigade received warning that an outbreak of
fire had occurred at Kennedytown Hospital.
The Brigade, under Sergeant R. MacDonald,
quickly responded to the call and before much
time had elapsed the conflagration had been
successfully combated by the members of the
Brigade who had been called together by the
summons of the siren. It was fortunate that
the ward of the Hospital in which the
flames originated was unoccupied by patients,
for the Brigade were thereby enabled to con-
fine their attention to the putting out of the
fire without having on their minds the respon-
sibility of saving life. Needless to say, every
man worked with a will. The water supply
was plentiful, and it was not long before the
flames were completely subdued and all danger
of the fire spreading to the other parts of the
institution was past.

THE STRUCTURE.

In which the outbreak originated was a match-
ed used as a kind of annex to the Hospital in
epidemic times and, of course, it went
up like tinder. From such distant parts as
Kowloon City the glare of the flames was
clearly observable in the sky and on the other
side of the Harbour many spectators were led
to believe that a conflagration of serious
magnitude had taken place. But for the
promptness of the Brigade in getting to the
scene the consequences might have proved
to be very serious, but, as usual, the service
was excellent and effective in its results.
A large crowd of spectators flocked to the
spot. Good order was maintained by the
Police, however, and the work of subduing
the flames was satisfactorily accomplished in
quick time. What the cause of the outbreak
was has not been ascertained so far as our
information goes. The damage done was
not very formidable, and considering the
nature of the building and its contents cannot
have been more than \$500.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANAL LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-seventh ordinary year's meeting of
the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.,
was held at its head office at noon, to-day, for
the purpose of receiving the report of the di-
rectors together with the statements of account to
31st December, 1909, and of declaring di-
vidends. Mr. A. Forbes (chairman of directors)
presided. There were also present: Messrs.
E. Ormiston, J. W. C. Bonnar, C. R. Lennemann,
J. W. Bandow, H. A. Siebs, G. Balloch, F.
Lob, G. H. Medhurst (directors), C. Montague
Eds (secretary), J. Whittall, A. H. Rouse, W.
Dunbar, H. Humphreys, W. H. Wickham, L.
M. Alvarez, J. Barrio, T. I. Rose, H. W. Robert-
son, F. Smyth, Capt. J. T. Douglas, A. Shelton
Hooper, Ho. Fook, A. Fletcher, G. C. Moron,
and Dr. J. Noble.

The Secretary having read the notice con-
vening the meeting,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The re-
port before you was issued on the 25th March,
which has given you the opportunity of study-
ing it and I therefore propose to take it as
read. The premium income for 1908 is
considerably less than that of the previous
year, a little over a lac of which is a
falling off on paper only, due to the higher
rate of exchange at which sterling figures
are translated into dollars; the bal-
ance is a real falling off mostly due to
smaller sterling takings in consequence of the
general stagnation of trade and partly to the
abandonment of the worst paying accounts, of
which my predecessor in the chair told you last
year, the management electing not to enter in-
to ruinous competition in certain trades which
were known to be non-paying, preferring to
wait until a natural incidence of losses in
those trades caused a combination amongst
underwriters with a view of placing rates on a
more satisfactory footing. I am glad to be
able to tell you that this action is justified
by the results of the year following that under
review. The movement in the direction of
raising rates to a paying level is still going on,
and although we hope the conditions to-day
prevailing will continue, we must not forget
that the history of marine insurance does not
warrant our counting too much upon it, but
rather demands stricter vigilance on the part
of our management. You will have read in the
home papers that the published accounts for
1908 of our more powerful competitors, taken
as a whole, are dreary and disappoint-
ing reading. We should, no doubt, have
had to come before you with a less satis-
factory report than that presented to-day except
for the fact that our business is so widespread
that a series of losses suffered in one part of the
world does not necessarily affect the result of the
year's working as a whole. In the case of 1908
although we were interested on many of the lines
lost that year our business elsewhere resulted
in a handsome profit, and I think you may
therefore be congratulated on the outcome for
1908. On the 31st December, 1908, the di-
vidend payable a final dividend of 50 per
share, making the full dividend for 1908 50;
placing £10,000 to the credit of re-insurance
fund and carrying forward a very substantial
balance to the credit of underwriting suspense
account which account, as well as that of
re-insurance fund both show marked in-
creases. Your directors are of opinion that a
dividend of 50 per share is a very full one,
having particularly in view the fact that interest
earned by investments is only sufficient to pay
about two-thirds of it. They think that, for
the present, this should be looked upon as high
water mark and that you should cordially
approve of the policy of further building up
reserves for some time to come and not
look for any increase in the present
dividend, which is twice the amount of
the original capital called up. If you
analyse the accounts of the large and small
companies with whom we are in daily competi-
tion you will observe that their dividends are,
with few exceptions and in not a few cases
entirely paid out of interest, and although, if
fortune continues to smile upon us, we hope
never to be in the latter category we feel we can-
not afford to overlook the tactics of our
neighbours. The figures for 1909, as
shown in the report, are quite satis-
factory, showing a substantial increase in the bal-
ance carried forward, and your directors feel that
they can safely recommend the payment of an
interim dividend of 50 per share for account
1909, as well as a bonus of 20 per cent. on contributory
business. Altogether the report before you
can, on the whole, be described as one of the
best ever presented. You will be glad to hear
that we have not forgotten our staff, having
voted a bonus of 15 per cent. of a year's salary to the
President's Fund of each member who is in our
service on the 30th of this month.

There were no questions.
The Chairman moved the adoption of the
report and accounts.
Mr. Shelton Hooper, in seconding the adop-
tion of the report and accounts, said:—Mr.
Chairman, I have much pleasure in seconding
the adoption of the report and accounts as to-day
presented to us. We have listened with much
interest to the remarks of the Chairman in the
amplification of them and I am sure I am
voicing the views of the shareholders whether
they are present or absent in heartily con-
gratulating the Board on the splendid results
of the year's working. The prudence shown by
the management in deciding not to enter into
serious competition in certain trades must
commend itself to all of us, and as you have
pointed out the results show the justifica-
tion of the policy you have adopted. The
business not being limited to any one
part of the world has been conducive to
the company's working, maintaining its
average prosperity. The fact that the return
for the year enables you to show a dividend
balance of practically a lac of dollars is a fact
that for the previous year is an all-time high
fact to show the prosperity of the Company and

its able management under which it has been
worked. The dividend of 50 per share is a
handsome one and considering £10,000 is placed
to the credit of the re-insurance fund I am sure
every shareholder will appreciate the prudent
disposition of the profits. Before closing my
remarks I am sure that not only the general
body of shareholders but those who sit on the
directorate will extend to the man-at-the-wheel
who is our Secretary and to his staff their
thanks and appreciation for his faithful and
zealous attention to the interests of the Com-
pany and hearty acquiescence in the bonus pro-
posed to be voted to them. (Applause.)

The motion was carried unanimously.

Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar and A. Forbes were
re-elected directors on the motion of Mr.
Smyth seconded by Capt. Douglas.

Mr. Wickham moved, and Mr. Humphreys
seconded, that Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and
A. R. Lowe be re-elected auditors.

Agreed to *sem con*.

The Chairman:—Gentlemen,—That is all the
business. I am much obliged for your atten-
dance. It has been the custom in the past to
post dividend warrants to shareholders, but as
several warrants have gone astray it has been
deemed advisable this year that they should
remain in the office until applied for.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed
by Correspondents in this column.)

THE FINEST SITE IN THE COLONY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
Sir,—I beg that you will allow me through
your columns to draw attention to a matter of
public interest.

The Government has announced the inten-
tion of putting up a public building on the plot of
Crown land situated on the sea front to the
north of the Law Courts, reserving as a garden
enclosure on the east of Queen Victoria's
statue, only an area corresponding to the space
similarly reserved by the Hongkong Bank.

I am strongly of opinion that the plot of
ground in question should be utilised in the
same way, as a garden, if not for all time, a
any rate in the meantime.

It may be that in years to come the City of
Victoria will develop prosperity enough,
and public spirit enough, to indulge a desire
for a really fine City Hall. The present pri-
vately-owned building, dignified by the name,
will not always suffice to serve the community's
needs, and it is situated on a site which would
be useless for the purpose indicated. The
main objection to the present edifice (that it
faces the wrong way) could be remedied in a
new building; but a fatal objection to the site
remains. No building upon it could be seen
to advantage from the harbour, or indeed from
any point of view, and it would be absurd to
erect a fine public building that could not be
seen to advantage.

The only suitable site for such a building is
that which the Government proposes now to
call this site to those who are to come after
us? We are all "the trustees of posterity!" I
for one feel called upon to protest.—Yours, &c.

M. STEWART.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1910.

MR JOHN CARRINGTON.

AND THE NAVY LEAGUE.

It is interesting to note that Sir John W.
Carrington, C.M.G., who, during his tenure of
the Chief Magistracy of Hongkong, did so
much for the local Volunteer body, is now
taking an active interest in that eminently
patriotic body, the Navy League. In the
League journal, *The Navy*, we note that he, as
president of the Reading branch, acted as
chairman at the annual meeting, at which one
of the attendants was Rear-Admiral H. L. Fleet.
According to the report of the committee,
the most interesting event of the year was the
establishment of the training brig *King Alfred*
on the Thames between Reading and Cavers-
ham.

Sir John in his presidential speech, moving
the adoption of the report, said he believed the
brig would be greatly to the benefit of the
lads of the district, and he hoped the
inhabitants would realise that and would
regard the maintenance of the vessel in an
efficient state as their duty. In witnessing the
boys doing gun-drill with a seven-pounder
field gun he was much struck by the advance
they had made in so short a time. The boys
were smart, went through the drill well, and
evidently were very keen. Now that mem-
bership of the League had been made so simple
and cheap, he hoped that the people of Read-
ing and the neighbourhood would join in
greater numbers.

In relation to Sir John's remarks, and to his
support of the Navy League, it is worthy of
passing remark that, whilst there are many
members of the Navy League in Hongkong,
this splendid institution does not locally get
that support to which it is surely entitled. In
a great naval base like Hongkong such a
society should be supported to a man. At Home
it is not left to the mere male to further its
interests. There are some women who are as
ardent workers for the League as any man who
figures on the roll of membership. Such women
as Miss C. Everett-Green, Mrs. Holman of
Reading, Mrs. Dawson of South Oxon, deserve
the sincere thanks of all who take an interest
in the undertakings of the League. It seems in-
vidious almost to mention so few names where
so many more ought to be included, but if
ever an argument were needed to justify the
claims of the suffragette to the right of the vote
it could be found in the devoted work that has
been put into the League by the women who
have banded themselves together for promoting
the master of national defence. In Hongkong
there is great room for British residents to
give greater assistance to the aim and object
of the League.

"Mice and Men."

SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION BY
THE A.D.C.

PLAY ACCORDING TO A WARM RECEPTION.

Following upon the brilliant success, achiev-
ed by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club
in their recent production of "The Toreador,"
members of the talented organization again
added to their laurels at the Theatre Royal last
night in a more austere presentation—"Mice
and Men." There is a general opinion pre-
valent which cannot be accounted for that the
personnel of the A.D.C. are not gifted with
sufficient versatility to put up a play of the type
of "Mice and Men," a piece which undoubt-
edly requires acting, but the members compos-
ing the cast last night once again proved that they
have enough histrionic abilities to handle
every sort of production, whether they be
comic, or tragic, musical comedy or a roaring
farce, with equal ease and they certainly came
off with flying colours last night.

"Mice and Men" is a piece which is weirdly
fantastic in some of its incidents but it is at the
same time distinctly true to human nature.
Mark Embury, scholar, scientist, and philo-
sopher, devotes a considerable portion of his
time to experimenting with a number of found-
lings with a view to the "perpetuation of all
that is healthy, and vigorous in the human
race to the benefit of mankind." He has as his
friend and neighbour Roger Goodlake, a
typical beef-eating Englishman, who most
vigorous discounts from Mark's views and
describes the scheme as preposterous. From
among seven foundlings which are brought to
his study, he chooses one named Peggy with
the nickname of "Little Britain" as his ward
and teaches her the intricacies of equilateral
triangles and the mysteries of Homer. He is
surprised with the unusual worldly knowledge
displayed by his ward, whom he fondly suppo-
ses to be the personification of innocence, at an
early stage of their relations and in about
two years the master becomes the pupil. Mark
has a scapegrace nephew in the person of
Captain George Lovell, whose *façon* with
Joanna Goodlake, wife of Roger Goodlake, is
a source of much annoyance to the philosopher.
Mark proposes to his ailing relative that if he
promises reform he will fix an allowance on
him and pay off all his creditors. Lovell comes
across Peggy and at once falls in love with her
and discards his former lady love. It so hap-
pens that Mark himself falls in love with Peggy,
but he does not guess his nephew's affections
for the girl till very late in the day. A mas-
querade ball is to be given at Balnise House
and Peggy out of sheer childish curiosity re-
solves to attend the function and with the help
of Mrs. Daborah, Mark's housekeeper, dresses
herself in silk and satin on the morning of the
ball and while engaged in inspecting herself
in her splendid glory Lovell enters the room.
He has a brief conversation with her but Mark
suddenly steps on the scene and Peggy disap-
pears unceremoniously into an adjoining cham-
ber. Mark, mistaking his nephew's real posi-
tion, pours out his wrath on the luckless Lovell
and after angry words have been spoken, during
which the latter appears on the scene, Lovell
leaves the house. He proceeds to the ball in
order to prevent Peggy from doing mischief,
and there meets Goodlake, who, having by some
means got wind of the intimacy existing be-
tween his wife and his friend's nephew, becomes
tempestuous. A scene is enacted and Good-
lake is only able to control himself by Mark's
interference. Mark asks his nephew to
surrender his companion to her lawful guard-
ian but Lovell absolutely refuses, in the course
of which the supposed Joanna utters herself
and reveals to the astonished Goodlake
the familiar face of "Little Britain." Mark
obtains Peggy's promise to marry him and the
grateful simple creature, who has learnt to
appreciate Mark's kindness, in order to make
him happy, assures him that he is all in the
world to her although her heart is with Lovell.
Lovell determines to leave the country and
obtain his uncle's sanction but at the last
moment he is mortified to discover he is going
to bid good-bye to his uncle at the future scene
of his happiness that Mark has left a message
for him with "Little Britain" asking him to
give up his roving life. Subsequently Mark
convinces Peggy that she should marry Lovell
for her as well as his own good and all ends
happily. In the course of the play, the moral
of the play, "The best-laid schemes of mice
and men of the gang a-gley" recurs, which is
gradually discovered by the audience to give
the title to the play.

The brunt of the work undoubtedly fell on
the four principal characters in the play—
Mark Embury, Captain Lovell, Roger Good-
lake and "Little Britain." As a scene and
dignified philosopher, Mr. Balloch played his
part to perfection. Mr. E. G. Liddiard in the
rôle of Roger Goodlake invested his acting
with a natural ease which was thoroughly
admired. The part of Captain Lovell could
not have been entrusted to better hands than
Capt. Addison, R. E. and Miss Ella Rowe
in her association with him had the greater
part of the work and brought out the
full beauty of the part. Mrs. H. W. Looker as
Joanna Goodlake was good; while Mrs. W. W.
Slade as Mrs. Daborah scored a distinct suc-
cess. Mr. H. W. Looker as Mr. George Lovell
in his element. Messrs. G. Worcester as
Beadle Mr. W. Rekol as Peter, Mr. Addison
as the Matron and Miss Bamboe had little to
do but did that little well, while the rest of
the castably supported the principals.

The following was the Committee.—Messrs.
A. Chapman, G. A. Caldwell, M. S. Northcote,
E. Ormiston, J. Robertson, G. Balloch and R.
Sutherland (Sage Manager) to whose indefat-
igable efforts much of the success of the pro-
duction was due.

The Band of the Buffs played between the
acts and was thoroughly appreciated.

The following was the cast:

Mark Embury	Mr. G. Balloch
Roger Goodlake	Mr. E. G. Liddiard
Capt. George Lovell	Captain Addison, R. E.
Sir Harry Trimbald	Mr. R. F. C. Master
Ed. Bamboe	Mr. H. W. Looker
Beadle	Mr. W. Rekol
Joanna Goodlake	Mr. C. W. Worcester
Mrs. Daborah	Mr. H. W. Looker
Matron	Mrs. W. W. Slade
Molly	Mrs. Addison
Peggy	Miss Ella Rowe
Foundlings—Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Albemarle, Misses Edwards, Jacks, E. Fook, G. Potts and Bamboe.	
Guards of Honour—Mr. Messrs. Davidson, O'Brien, Wodden, Jackson, Robinson, Grove, Denney and Denbigh.	

ITALIAN CONVENT'S JUBILEE.

SIR HORMUSJEE MODY FOUNDS "LUGARD" SCHOLARSHIPS.

YESTERDAY'S CELEBRATIONS.

There was a very large gathering of parents and friends of the pupils of the Italian Convent schools present at the entertainment yesterday given by past and present pupils in celebration of the golden jubilee of the institution's foundation in Hongkong. A large marquee was erected on the spacious playground for the accommodation of the several hundred visitors. The marquee was very prettily decorated with flags and bunting and a profusion of flowers and pot plants. A floral legend in figures—"1860-1910"—surmounted the stage.

His Excellency the Governor and suite, Capt. P. H. M. Taylor (A.D.C.) and N. Simson (private secretary) arrived punctually at the appointed time for the proceedings to commence. His Excellency was escorted to his seat by the Right Reverend Bishop, D. Pozzoli and Rev. Mother T. Marcolini, the Superiors. The gentlemen who acted as M.C.s on the occasion were the Rev. Father G. Spada and Mr. Lio. d'Almeida e Castro. Among those present were: Lady May, Commodore, Mrs. and Miss Lyon, Miss Inglis, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Atkinson, the R. C. Bishops of Japan and Toankin, Mr. E. A. Irving (Director of Education), Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leila, Mrs. Romano, Mrs. Rozzini, Chav. Z. Volpelli, Capt. d'Almeida, the Misses P. C. Potts, Mrs. J. H. N. Mody, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Addis, Rev. Fathers G. Spada, P. da Maria, A. Novelli, Misses Luperini, Messrs D. Percobini, F. A. Gomes, and R. A. Gubbay.

The proceedings opened with a prettily rendered chorus by over a hundred girls from all the schools in the Colony conducted by the Convent. Miss Emily d'Almeida e Castro then read a historical review of the origin, development and present position of the Convent, at the conclusion of which she said:—"The record just presented of the fifty years' existence of the Italian Convent in Hongkong is one which amply justifies its promoters in the inception of a scheme that has produced results surely far in excess of the most sanguine anticipations fifty years ago. These results have been achieved in a large measure under the fostering care of a paternal Government which instituted and maintains the Grant Scheme of education; by a community whose aid towards charity assumes a very practical form; and by an enlightened and impartial Press ever ready to lend its support to measures tending towards the betterment of the voiceless and the helpless. To the Government of Hongkong, to the community—British, foreign and Chinese, without distinction—and to the representative members of the Fourth Estate, the concluding lines of this historical review place on permanent record the great indebtedness of the Superiors, the Sisters and their scholars for the co-operation so unselfishly given and the tacit approbation of their work so ungrudgingly accorded during the past fifty years."

His Excellency said:—"Your Ladyship, Ladies and Gentlemen, I have been asked to make an announcement to you to-day on behalf of Sir Hormusjee Mody. He has decided to found seven scholarships to grant schools in this Colony, and he has asked me to make the announcement this afternoon. The schools are St. Joseph's College, the Ellis Kadoorie, the D'Almeida e Castro, the Italian Convent, St. Mary's, Kowloon, the French Convent and St. Francis, Wanchai. And to this list he has added an eighth name by giving a scholarship to the Victoria Boys' School at the east end of the city. (Applause.) To establish these scholarships, which will be worth \$30 a year for two consecutive years, Sir Hormusjee Mody intends to invest \$1,000 on behalf of each school. Trustees will be appointed, and they will draw interest on the sum for the annual scholarships. Sir Hormusjee has very kindly proposed to call them after my name, and although I would much prefer that they were called after the name of the donor he gave me no option in the matter, so they are to be called the Lugard Scholarships. (Applause.) They are to be open to all who are domiciled in the Colony without respect to nationality. By being domiciled Sir Hormusjee means that they will be resident here three years. As I said, trustees will be appointed, but a large discretion will be vested in the Governor of the day to settle any points without reference to Counsel or lawyers. It gives me the very greatest pleasure to announce this latest phase of the generosity of Sir Hormusjee Mody, whose gifts have been so many to this Colony, I have myself since I have been here been able to announce three or four large and generous gifts which he has made. I am particularly glad to be able to make this announcement to-day because this Convent and its sister school at Kowloon are among the beneficiaries that will have scholarships. We listened just now to such a very interesting account of the origin, history and extraordinary progress of this Convent during the last fifty years that there is nothing left for me to add on the subject. And, indeed, we have such a very long programme to get through that I have been told on this occasion I was not desired to make any speech at all. I merely wish to say, on behalf of myself and the large audience, that we are here to testify by our presence to these noble ladies who have given their lives to this work our appreciation of what they are doing day by day to show them how keenly we appreciate their work and to wish them continued success and continued progress, such as they have had during the past fifty years. (Applause.)"

His Lordship Bishop Pozzoli said:—"Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen, before any thing else, I wish to thank your Excellency for the announcement you have just made of the scholarships which Sir Hormusjee Mody, for his goodness of heart, has seen fit to give to three of the schools under the charge of the Sisters of Charity. (Applause.) Within the past few years, your Excellency has sprung upon the community two very generous benefactions. The first, an intimate association with the second, and in both instances I feel sure the unexpected benevolence

welcomed by the community to an extent equal to the importance of the announcements. The editor of a leading Far Eastern journal struck a happy caption when he headed the report of the proceedings of the recent ceremony of the laying of the foundation stone of the Hongkong University "A Hongkong Carnegie." In Sir Hormusjee the Colony possesses the prototype of the Scottish benefactor in the promotion of education. (Applause.) And you, Sir, have further enhanced that princely gift by permitting your name to be associated with the scholarships which shall be for all time known as the "Lugard" Scholarships. It is a fitting memorial of the great interest you have evinced in, all that appertains to education in Hongkong—an interest which received its crowning glory in the culminating ceremony performed in connection with the Hongkong University, not quite a month ago. To you, Sir, and to Sir Hormusjee Mody I wish to express the Convent's most grateful thanks for the "Lugard" Scholarships. I am only very feebly voicing the sentiment of the Convent when I say that the Sisters feel very deeply grateful for the kind manner you have referred to the institution's work during its fifty years in Hongkong. In the opening pages of the book which, I trust, you will be taking away with you as a memento of the celebrations in connection with the Golden Jubilee of the Convent, the Rev. Mother has already expressed her acknowledgments for all the numerous favours of which the Sisters of Charity have been the recipients for the past half a century. It only remains for me now to again thank you for this additional mark of interest in the institution's work that is so unobtainably evidenced by the large and distinguished gathering here to-day. In the name of the Mother Superior, the Sisters and the pupils of the Convent I thank your Excellency, and you, ladies and gentlemen, for the honour of your presence this afternoon (Applause.)"

A lengthy programme of songs and instrumental pieces were then gone through. "It was a special merit as it was entirely contributed to by the pupils of the Convent exclusively. The programme was as follows:—

1.—Chorus—"Faith, Hope and Charity" (G. Rossini).—Pupils of St. Mary's School (K. Wilson). Pupils of Italian Convent.

2.—English Address—"Fifty Years Ago"—Miss Emily d'Almeida e Castro.

3.—Song—"Sing Sweet Bird" (W. Gaux). Miss Edith Carvalho. Accompanied by Miss J. L. de Salvia Alves.

4.—Piano Duet—"Automobile" (J. Burgmüller). Misses E. Abernethy and P. Fanlo. Miss R. Ellis.

5.—Italian Poem—"Maddalena la Fanciulla" Miss K. Evanson.

6.—Song—"Ave Maria" (L. Luzzi). Miss C. Lysaught. Accompanied by Miss M. Ah Wee.

7.—Portuguese Address—"A Caridade em Ação"—Miss M. Loureiro.

8.—Instrumental Quintette—"Flora" (G. P. Pirani). Misses J. L. de Salvia Alves, M. Barradas, A. Gutierrez, G. Remedios, and C. Ribeiro.

9.—Chorus—"Il Lavoro" (G. Fiumi).—Pupils of Wanchai School. Accompanied by Miss C. Lysaught.

10.—Piano Solo—"L'Addio" (A. Gioia). Miss E. Best.

11.—Song—"Saved by a Child" (M. Piccolini).—Miss J. L. de Salvia Alves. Accompanied by Miss M. Ah Wee.

12.—Chinese Address.—Miss A. Kwok.

13.—Song—"Il Figlio Della Provvidenza" (G. De Vecchi).—Misses E. Elias and P. Fanlo.

14.—Song—"Mia Madre" (G. Comissagosa).—Miss C. Castro. Accompanied by Miss M. Ah Wee.

15.—Instrumental Quintette—"Wedding of the Winds" (J. T. Hall).—Arranged by Prof. F. Gonzalet. Misses J. L. de Salvia Alves, M. Barradas, A. Gutierrez, G. Remedios and C. Ribeiro.

"GOD SAVE THE KING."

Dainty books of the programme, with the addresses in English, Portuguese and Chinese were distributed to the assemblage. The half-tone illustrations enhance the value of the publication. The book was printed at the Narreth Printing Establishment at Pokfulam; the litho cover, artistically designed, being the work of the Hongkong Printing Press.

AMATEUR BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

LEUNG KAM KWONG vs. PITT.

Soon after nine last night the V.R.C. Gymnasium was packed with spectators to watch the above interesting match in the third round.

Leung opened the game and no scoring was done until after a good few strokes when Pitt had the opportunity and he scored two cannons. The scoring was slow and when Pitt reached 27, Leung was only 2. Immediately after this Leung made a good 24 break and brought the score up to 26-28. He followed it with an 11 break and missed an easy in-off, which enabled Pitt to score a cannon. At this stage Leung took the lead and added a 26 break, when he reached 100 Pitt was left at 41. The game was then again very slow and tame as no good breaks were made for a while. Subsequently Leung reached his 24 mark with a good 12 break and Pitt was each at 114 points, Leung being a clear 100 points ahead of him. After this Leung was scoring very slow and Pitt was picking up wonderfully. At the interval the score read:—Leung Kam Kwong 253 Pitt 231.

On returning play Pitt opened the game and made a nice 18 break; he followed it up with a 14 and 33. Pitt then overtook his opponent but when 337 was reached it read all, Pitt then again took the lead and led till the finish and won with 49 points to spare. The best breaks of the evening were: Pitt 17, 15, 23, 33, and 37; Leung Kam Kwong 22, 30, 24, 26, 31 and 20.

Both players played a good game, and Pitt won the game through good luck. Although Leung lost, it was thought by many of the spectators that he played a much better and more scientific game than his opponent.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The forty-fourth ordinary yearly meeting of the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., was held at its head office, this afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors, together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring dividends, &c. Mr. A. Forbes was in the chair. Others present were:—Messrs. E. Ormiston, J. W. C. Bonnar, C. R. Lezmann, J. W. Bandow, H. A. Sieb, G. Balloch, F. Sieb, G. H. Medhurst (directors), C. Montague Ede (secretary), J. B. K. Whitall, A. B. Rouse, H. Hunter, H. J. M. Carvalho, D. M. G. Cunha, V. L. Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, J. A. Carvalho, J. F. A. Barros and J. Gardner.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—"Gentlemen, I will, with your permission, take the report as read. A comparison of the years 1907 and 1908 shows a falling off of nearly two and a half lacs, partly due to the higher rate of exchange taken this year, but mostly due to a genuine falling off in sterling takings on account of the general stagnation of trade. Latest in 1908 shows a satisfactory increase. Turning to the other side of the account you will see that commission and charges are less than the previous year while losses are a great deal smaller, the year resulting in a divisible balance of \$24,000, which we propose to deal with as follows:—to pay a final dividend of 1008 of \$50 per share, to add to sterling reserve fund \$10,000, to reinstate fund \$5,000 and to carry forward the substantial balance of \$18,000 to underwriting suspense account, thus closing the account for 1908. Your directors have thought it wisest to build up the funds than to recommend the payment of a larger dividend. As regards 1909 account, there is a large increase in premium interest remaining practically the same, while the balance carried forward is larger by \$5,000 than the previous year. On the whole we consider the figures satisfactory, and we therefore recommend the payment of an interim dividend of \$5 per share on account of 1909 and a bonus to contributors of 20%."

There being no questions,

The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Whitall seconded.

Carried.

Mr. Rouse moved that Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar and A. F. Rouse be re-elected directors.

Mr. Carvalho seconded.

Agreed.

On the motion of Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Cunha, Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe were re-elected auditors.

The Chairman said:—"That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants are now ready."

DISASTERS IN THE NORTH.

FAMINE SCENES NEAR HAIKOW.

The Shanghai Times correspondent at Haikow, writing on March 31, says:—"The prices of foodstuffs seem to keep going higher rather than lower. On the average, prices of all grains are six to seven times higher than usual and not even in the great famine of 1906-7 has food been so scarce or prices so high. To the west and south of the city of Haikow there are large stretches of country where people are eating the bark of trees and the roots of weeds and grass or even the dry chaff of last year's wheat ground up and made into a porridge by mixing with water. Just now, too, is beginning, in all its horrible aspects, the harvest of the grim monster, famine, in the large numbers of dead and dying in every town and village, those who, swollen and puffed, still they resemble fleshy persons, are dying of actual starvation; those who die quickly from want of food because of former weakness from other causes, and those who are so weakened by starvation as to fall easy victims to smallpox, famine fever, diphtheria and the many other diseases that so abound in the time of famine. The story is too awful to dwell upon. It is simply, the great famine of 1906-7 over again on a smaller scale, but not deprived, in the least, of any of the sickening details that were so familiar to us all at that time. Attempts at relief are being made by the Chinese but, creditable as these attempts are, they are far from relieving the distress. Distribution of both money and food stuffs is being in and often we see the long line of women and children, most of them gaunt and weak from lack of food, toiling in from the country to buy their allowance of corn or wheat at the distributing station. The credit of the distribution belongs, I believe, to the Viceroy at Nanking, and Taotai Loh is overseeing the actual work of distribution here. As much as we heard of the establishment of public improvements to provide employment for the famines, victims, nothing seems to have been done as yet. We hope to see progress along this line very soon, because, even though money has been distributed, it is soon used up in buying food, and the precious opportunity of public improvement is lost while the people who receive relief in this way cannot but be, to a certain extent, panicked by the distribution of funds among them with no effort on their part. The fact that the price of grain at the distributing station is from two to three times higher than the usual price convinces one that, no matter how much money be distributed, it cannot last long or really reach the most needy of the sufferers."

NEW ARRIVALS.

We have had much pleasure in a visit recently from Mr. Becker, Editor of the daily paper at Telugana.

Mr. C. E. Rupp, an American, has recently arrived and has taken over the management of the Kai Fong Yuen Mills at Haikow.

Today's Advertisement.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 30th April, 1910, at 12 o'clock Noon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1910, and electing of Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 30th April, 1910, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [314]

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

April 13th, 4.45 p.m.
The following quotations for rubber shares, by wire, are supplied by Messrs. E. S. Kadoris & Co.:—

Allagars	9/6
Anglo-Malaya	35/6
Balgownie	31/6
Batu Tiga	32/3
Bertams	32/6
Bukit Kajangs	100/-
Bukit Rajahs	380/-
Caray United	47/6 prem.
Castledale	123/6
Changkat Serdang	330/-
Cheras	31/6
Damanasari	175/-
Eastern Internationals	52/6 pm prem.
Fed. Selangors	340/-
Glenelg	54
Glenish	160/-
Golconda	55/-
Golden Hopes	105/-
Highlands and Lowlands	187/6
Indragiri	347/6
Joch Kennells	365/-
Juquies	143/6
Jonglandons	30/- prem.
Kamuning	13/- prem.
Kual Lumpur	210/-
Landrons (fully paid)	165/-
Landrons (ppd.)	112/6 prem.
Labus	175/-
Ledbury	130/-
Linggi	64/6
London Asiatics	175/-
London Ventures	13/-
Mertlins	84
Pajans	32/6
Pegohs	565
Rubber Trusts 94/9 pm prem. ex n. l.	340/-
Saggas	355 ex rights
Sandycrofts	40/-
Sponge	155/- prem.
Seafelds	145/- pm.
Sekong	92/6
Shelfords	92/6
Singapore & Johore	530
Sunstra Paras	18/6
Sungei Chohs	135/-
Sungei Kapars	200/-
Tanjongas	93/- prem.
Tangkabs	37/6 prem.
Ulu Rauts	16/- ex n. l.
United Serdangs	170/-
United Singapore	542
United Sumatras	17/6
United Langkats	87/6 ex rights
Hard Fine Para	11/5 per lb.

A dividend of 55 per cent. was paid to shareholders in the Balgownie Rubber Estates, at March 31, making 100 per cent. for the year ended that date.

THE Perth Pioneer hears that a valuable compilation respecting rubber companies will shortly be issued. It has been compiled by Mr. M. S. Parry, and will comprise details, facts, and statistics referring to about two hundred rubber companies.

THE Straits Times understands that a quantity of cash and currency notes which were on board the La Soys when that unfortunate vessel met her fate by collision with the Onda in the Kio Straits, has been recovered by divers who have recently been at work on the wreck. The recovered money, which at the time the disaster occurred was being forwarded to Singapore, has been lodged with the Treasury there.

Events Coming.

Wednesday, 13th April,
A.D.C. "Mice and Men" 9 p.m.

Thursday, 14th April,
Schools Sports, Heats.

Friday, 15th April,
Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture, at the "Dabick" Robinson Road, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 16th April,
Hongkong Jockey Club half-yearly meeting, 12.30 p.m.
First Gymkhana meeting.
Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture, at the "Dabick" Robinson Road, 2.30 p.m.
A.D.C. "Mice and Men" 9 p.m.

Monday, 18th April,
Schools Sports, Final.

Tuesday, 19th April,
Hughes and Hough auction sale of the Hongkong Sheung Po Company, 11 a.m.

Friday, 22nd April,
Sale of Property, Hughes and Hough, 3 p.m.

Saturday, 23rd April,
V.R.C. Sports at the Football Club Ground.

Today's Advertisements.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL DIVIDEND of Twenty Dollars per Share for the year 1908, and an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Thirty Dollars per Share for the year 1909 will be PAYABLE on THURSDAY, the 14th instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [313]

BOXING! BOXING!

THE POSTPONED WELTERWEIGHT TOURNAMENT at the BELLE VIEW STADIUM will take place on SATURDAY EVENING, 16th April, at 9 P.M., when all arrangements will be up-to-date.

Main Event 15 2-minute rounds.
SEAMAN ROBERTS, H.M.S. "KENT,"
VERSUS
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GUNNER BEDBROOK, 86TH CO., R.G.A.,
VERSUS
GUNNER ARUNDEL, 87TH CO., R.G.A.

Late Cars will be arranged for.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [313]

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"
Capt. A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 15th instant, at Daylight.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

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Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s steamers.
Fare for round trip \$120.

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [309]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras and Mauritius.

THE Steamship

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Captain W. D. A. Thomas, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 16th instant, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [310]

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THE Steamship

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Captain A. E. Gentles, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 20th April, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 13th April, 1910. [311]

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Hongkong, 12th February, 1910. [31]

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TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS,
ATTORNEY, &c.,
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1910. [41]

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VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE	"KAMAKURA MARU" Capt. K. Kogi, Tons 6500	SATURDAY, 3rd April, From KOBE.
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VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, MOJITO, KOBE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	"INABA MARU" Capt. K. Kogi, Tons 7000 "TAMBA MARU" Capt. K. Sato, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 26th April, Noon. TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
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SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	"YAWATA MARU" Capt. T. Sakino, Tons 5000 "HIKOKU MARU" Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 19th April, at Noon. FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
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BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	"HAKATAMA MARU" Capt. J. Dreyer, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 10th April.
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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1910. [20]

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1910. [246]

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Hongkong, 12th April, 1910. [155]

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Queen's Building, Hongkong, 4th March, 1910. [11]

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Hankow, 18th January, 1910. [10]

Intimation.

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A TOO STABLE, Leighton Hill Road.

Hankow, 13th March, 1910. [107]

Consignees.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"GEBEN."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th of April will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th of April, at 9.30 A.M. All claims must reach us before the 18th of April, 1910, or they will not be recognized.

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THIS STEAMER BRINGS CARGO

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1910. [7]

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THE H. A. L. Steamship

"ANDALUSIA."

Captain Girstenbrink, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given before TO DAY.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1910. [301]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"NORE."

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 8 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 14th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1910. [14]

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Company's Steamship

"SEATTLE MARU."

The above mentioned Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for Consignment, and take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after SATURDAY, April 16th, 1910, at Noon will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 16th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on 18th instant.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 11th April, 1910. [10]

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From April 12th to 18th, 1910.

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SHARE QUOTATIONS

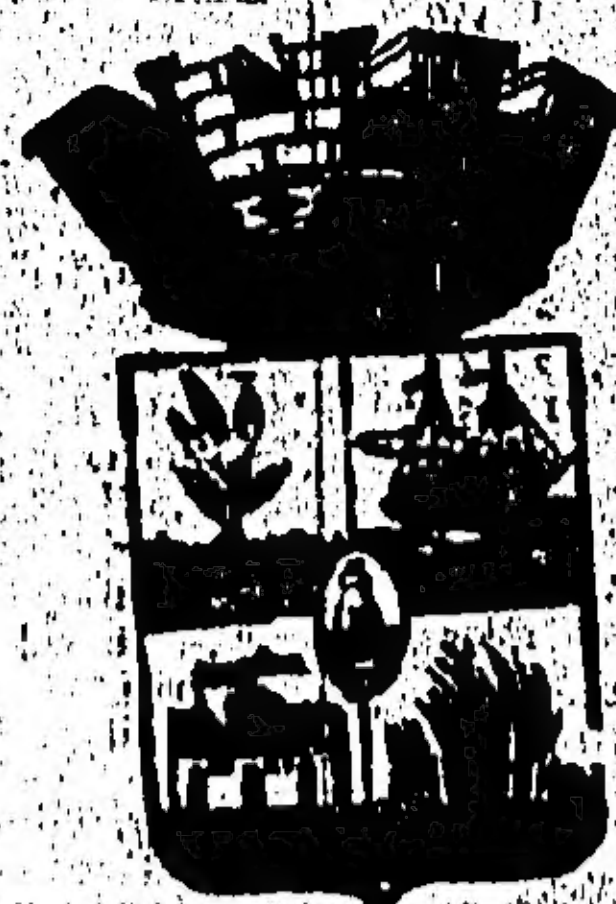
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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID-UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	STOCKS AT CLOSING.	QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$2,500,000	4 1/2	\$107 1/2 London 100-10
National Bank of China, Limited	99,985	7	6	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$30,558	2 1/2	\$76 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$150	\$150	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	none	7 1/2	\$170 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	15	15	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	Tls. 207,575	...	Tls. 175 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton	12,400	\$150	\$100	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$8,464,901	1 1/2	\$910 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$707,637	7 1/2	\$130 buyers
FIRE.							
China Fire Insurance Company	70,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$375,341	7 1/2	\$170 aa & b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$150	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$168,711	8 1/2	\$140 buyers
SHIPPING.							
China and Malacca Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,500,000 \$75,000,000	\$1,085	...	\$84 buyers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,500,000 \$75,000,000	Nil	...	\$53 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Swatow Steamship Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$12,000,000 \$120,000,000	\$18,766	8 1/2	\$101 sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	25	25	\$15,000,000 \$150,000,000	413,755	...	\$75 b. & sa.
Do. (Deferred)	60,000	25	25	\$15,000,000 \$150,000,000	413,755	...	95/- buyers
"Shanghai" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$2,221	4 1/2	\$26 sellers
"Sui" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	\$2,221	3 1/2	\$14 buyers
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$2,000,000 \$20,000,000	Dr. \$5,858	3 1/2	\$1.68 b. & sales
London Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	5	5	\$70,000 \$700,000	Dr. \$115,893	...	\$29 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	5	5	\$70,000 \$700,000	Tls. 6,028	...	Tls. 850 sales
Mining.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	1	1	\$1,000,000 \$10,000,000	none	7 1/2	Tls. 184
Headwaters Mining Company	60,000	10	10	\$600,000 \$6,000,000	none	...	Pa. 10 buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	1	1	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	Dr. 24,191	...	\$12 sales
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Penwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$4,500,000 \$45,000,000	Dr. 17,431	...	\$10
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$55	\$55	\$3,300,000 \$33,000,000	\$10,102	...	\$59
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	5	5	\$500,000 \$5,000,000	\$13,765	...	61 buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$5,570,000 \$55,700,000	Tls. 6,261	8 1/2	Tls. 81 sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	35,000	Tls. 1	Tls. 100	\$3,500,000 \$35,000,000	Tls. 11,318	7 1/2	Tls. 125 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 1	Tls. 100	\$2,500,000 \$25,000,000	Tls. 4,134	15 1/2	Tls. 103 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	5	5	\$501,230 \$5,012,300	\$14,611	...	\$16 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	5	5	\$120,000 \$1,200,000	\$19,372	...	\$107 ex div.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	8,000	5	5	\$80,000 \$800,000	\$27,911	6 1/2	\$100 a. & sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	5	5	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$5,471	6 1/2	\$81 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	50	50	\$300,000 \$3,000,000	\$2,919	5 1/2	\$18 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,800,000 \$78,000,000	Tls. 14,404	6 1/2	Tls. 105 a.
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	50	50	\$625,000 \$6,250,000	\$1,058	8 1/2	\$42 sellers
COTTON MILLS.							
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	\$750,000 \$7,500,000	Tls. 10,991	12 1/2	Tls. 139 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	25,000	50	50	\$1,250,000 \$12,500,000	\$9,553	...	\$4 buyer
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	\$750,000 \$7,500,000	Tls. 2,372	...	Tls. 61 sellers
Loong-Long-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$800,000 \$8,000,000	Tls. 4,229	...	Tls. 70 sellers
Say Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 50	\$200,000 \$2,000,000	Tls. 15,311	...	Tls. 100 ex div.
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10,925 \$109,250	4,648	10 1/2	\$10
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	12	12	\$720,000 \$7,200,000	none	...	\$11 1/2 & 12 aa.
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	5	5	\$500,000 \$5,000,000	\$61,738	...	\$5 ex dividend
China Provident Estate & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	5	5	\$625,000 \$6,250,000	\$3,407	8 1/2	\$84 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	5	5	\$200,000 \$2,000,000	\$1,393	8 1/2	\$18 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	10	10	\$4,000,000 \$40,000,000	\$3,756	10 1/2	\$71 aa. & sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	10	10	\$120,000 \$1,200,000	\$670	8 1/2	\$11
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	10	10	\$600,000 \$6,000,000	\$5,195	6 1/2	\$20 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	25	25	\$125,000 \$1,250,000	\$7616	10 1/2	\$160 a.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	10	10	\$600,000 \$6,000,000	\$8790	8 1/2	\$21 buyers
Malayan Rubber Plantations Company, Ltd.	15,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	\$15,000 \$150,000	Tls. 315,582	6 1/2	Tls. 1,350 nom.
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	10	10	\$250,000 \$2,500,000	\$1,404	6 1/2	\$15 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	10	10	\$500,000 \$5,000,000	Pa. 18,640	3 1/2	\$1,50 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	10	10	\$750,000 \$7,500,000	none	...	\$1 buyers
Shanghai-Siam Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	\$6,000 \$60,000	Tls. 5,250	4 1/2	Tls. 350 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	25	25	\$150,000 \$1,500,000	Dr. \$31,096	...	\$45 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	21,000	25	25	\$525,000 \$5,250,000	561	8 1/2	\$5 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	10	10	\$500,000 \$5,000,000	\$172	9 1/2	\$9 sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	12,000	10	10	\$120,000 \$1,200,000	\$341	6 1/2	\$12 sellers
Watson (L.S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	10	10	\$900,000 \$9,000,000	\$2,613	6 1/2	\$6 buyers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	5	5	\$75,000 \$750,000	\$782	...	\$3

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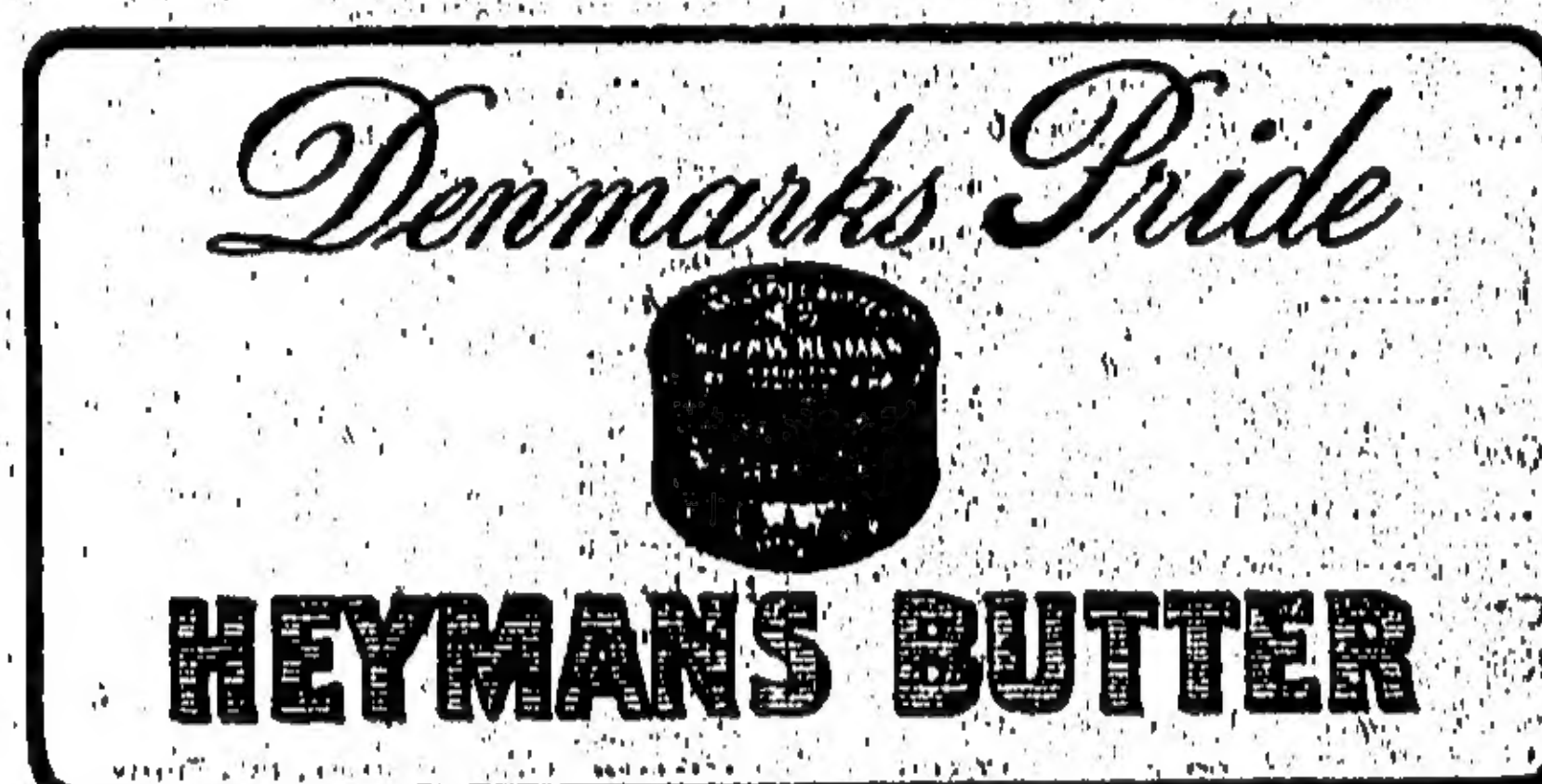
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